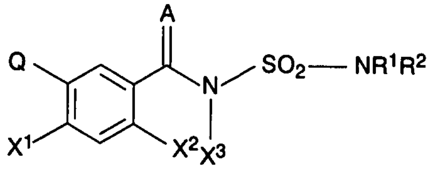
APPENDIX III:

THE LISTING OF CLAIMS (version with markings):

1. (*currently amended*) [~~Uracil substituted phenyl sulfamoyl carboxamides~~] A compound of [~~the~~] formula I



I,

wherein the variables have the following meanings:

A oxygen or sulfur;

X^1 hydrogen, halogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl;

X^2 hydrogen, cyano, CS-NH_2, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-haloalkyl;

X^3 hydrogen, cyano, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy-alkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl or optionally substituted benzyl;

R^1 and R^2 independently of one another

hydrogen, halogen, OR^{48}, C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_2-C_{10}-alkenyl, C_3-C_{10}-alkynyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, phenyl, benzyl or C_5-C_7-cycloalkenyl, whereas each of the lastmentioned 7 groups can be substituted with any combination of one to six halogen atoms, one to three C_1-C_6-alkoxy groups, one or two C_1-C_8-haloalkoxy groups, one or two cyano groups, one or two C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl groups, one or two $C(O)R^{49}$ groups, one or two CO-OR^{50} groups, one or two CO-SR^{51} groups, one or two CO-$NR^{52}R^{53}$ groups, one to three OR^{54} groups, one to three SR^{54} groups, one optionally substituted four to 10-membered monocyclic or fused bicyclic heterocyclic ring, one or two optionally substituted phenyl groups or one or two optionally substituted benzyl groups, or

R^1 and R^2 together with the atom to which they are attached form a 3- to 7-membered heterocyclic ring;

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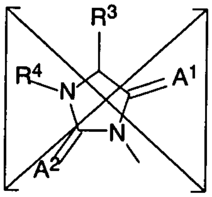

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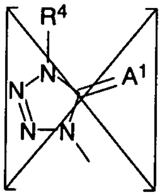

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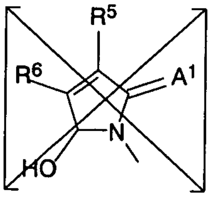

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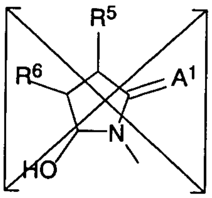

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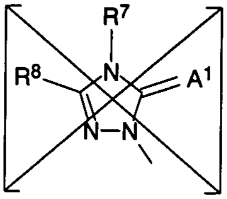

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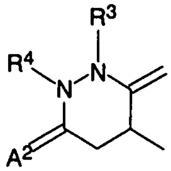

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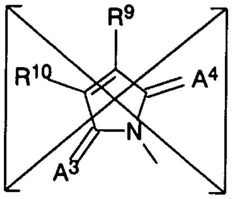

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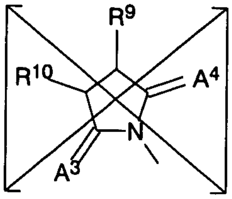

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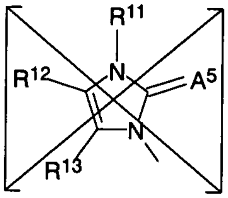

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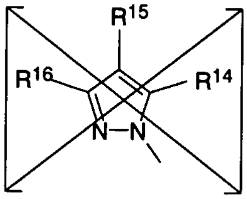

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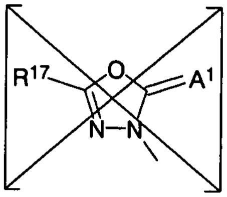

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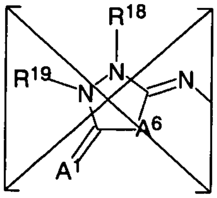

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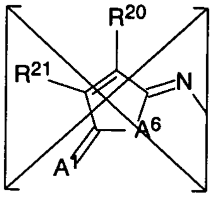

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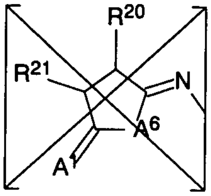

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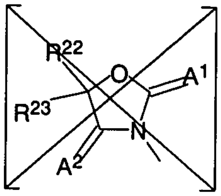

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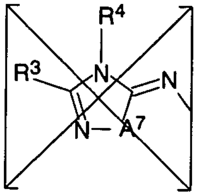

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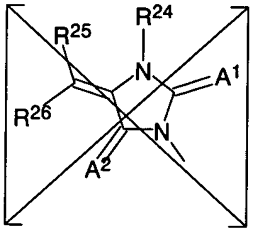

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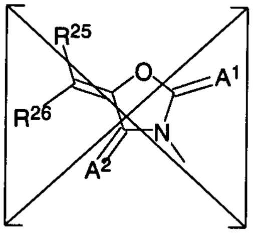

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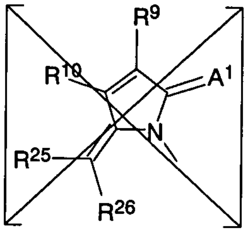

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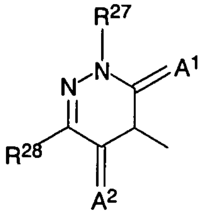

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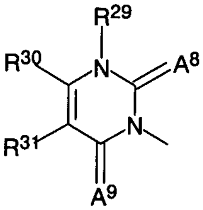

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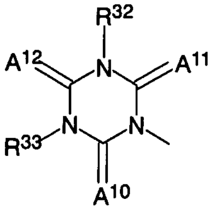

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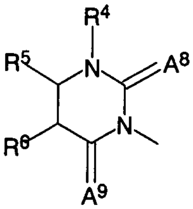

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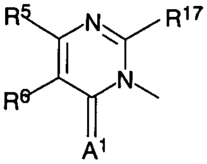

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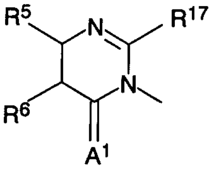

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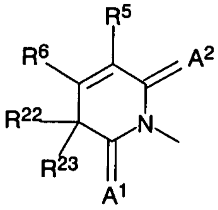

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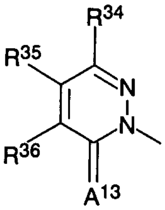

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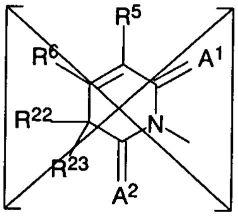

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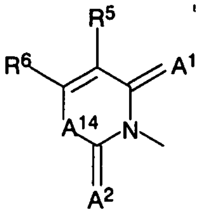

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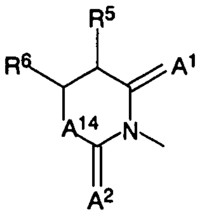

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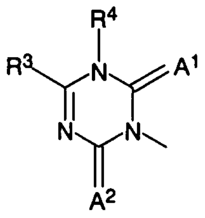

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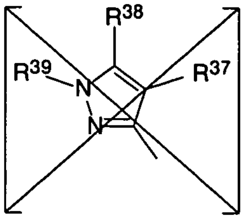

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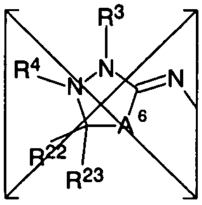

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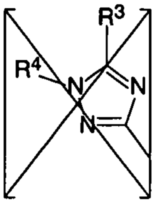

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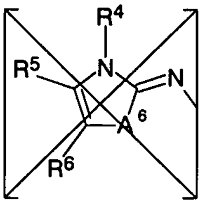

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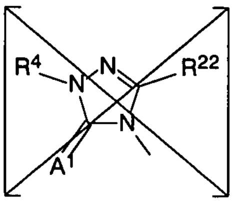

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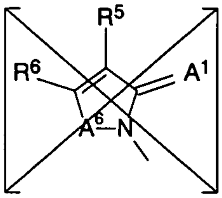

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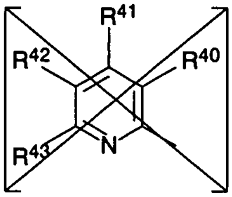

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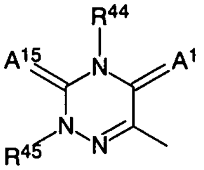

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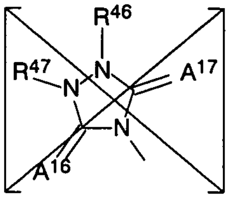


[~~Q40~~]

wherein

A^1 [~~to A^{17}~~] , A^2 and A^8 to A^{15} are each independently oxygen or sulfur;

R^3, R^4, [~~R^7, R^8, R^{11}, R^{12}, R^{18}, R^{19},~~] R^{27}, R^{29}, R^{32}, R^{33}, [~~R^{38}, R^{39},~~] R^{44}[~~,~~] and R^{45}[~~, R^{46} and R^{47}~~] are each independently

hydrogen, cyano, amino, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkoxy, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-haloalkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, benzyl, OR^{55}, C_1-C_3-cyanoalkyl, or

R^3 and R^4[~~, R^7 and R^8, R^{11} and R^{12}, R^{18} and R^{19} or R^{46} and R^{47} may be taken~~] together with the atoms to which they are attached to represent a four- to seven-membered ring, optionally interrupted by oxygen, sulfur or nitrogen and optionally substituted with one or more halogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl groups;

R^5, R^6, [~~R^9, R^{10}, R^{15}, R^{16}, R^{20}, R^{21},~~] R^{30}, R^{31}, R^{35}[~~,~~] and R^{36}, [~~R^{41}, R^{42} and R^{43}~~] are each independently

hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-haloalkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, OR^{56}, S(O)$_n$R^{57}, O-SO$_2$-R^{57}, NR^{58}R^{59} or

R^5 and R^6[~~, R^9 and R^{10}, R^{15} and R^{16}, R^{20} and R^{21}~~] or R^{30} and R^{31} [~~may be taken~~] together with the atoms to which they are attached to represent a four- to seven membered ring optionally substituted with one or more halogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl groups;

[~~R^{13}, R^{14},~~] R^{22}[~~,~~] and R^{23}[~~, R^{25} and R^{26}~~] are each independently hydrogen, halogen or C_1-C_6-alkyl;

R^{17}, R^{28}[~~,~~] and R^{34}, [~~R^{37} or R^{40}~~] are each independently hydrogen, halogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-haloalkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, OR^{60} or SR^{61};

[~~R^{24} is hydrogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-haloalkyl, C_2-C_4-alkenyl, C_3-C_4-alkynyl, C_1-C_4-haloalkoxy or amino;~~]

R^{48}, R^{49}, R^{50}, R^{51}, R^{52}, R^{53}, R^{54}, R^{55}, R^{56}, R^{57}, R^{58}, R^{59}, R^{60} and R^{61} are independently of one another

hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, optionally substituted phenyl or optionally substituted benzyl;

n is zero, 1 or 2;

[~~and the~~] or an agriculturally useful [~~salts of the compounds I~~] salt thereof.

2. (*currently amended*) The compound defined in claim 1, wherein Q is selected from [~~Q^5, Q^7,~~] Q^{21}, Q^{22}, Q^{27}[~~, Q^{32}, Q^{38},~~] and Q^{39} [~~and Q^{40}~~].

3. (*canceled*)

4. (*currently amended*) A herbicidal composition, comprising a herbicidally effective amount of at least one compound of [~~the~~] formula I as defined in claim 1 or of an agriculturally useful salt [~~of I as defined in claim 1~~] thereof, and at least one inert liquid [~~and/~~]or solid carrier and[~~, if desired,~~] optionally at least one surfactant.

5. (*currently amended*) A composition for the desiccation [~~and/~~]or defoliation of plants, comprising [~~such~~] an effective amount of at least one compound of [~~the~~] formula I as defined in claim 1 or of an agriculturally useful salt [~~of I, as defined in claim I, that it acts as a desiccant and/or defoliant~~] thereof, and at least one inert liquid [~~and/~~]or solid carrier and[~~, if desired,~~] optionally at least one surfactant.

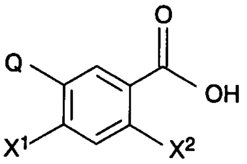
6. (*currently amended*) A method of controlling undesirable vegetation, which comprises [~~allowing a herbicidally active~~] treating the vegetation or its environement or seed with an effective amount of at

least one compound of [~~the~~] formula I as defined in claim 1 or of an agriculturally useful salt [~~of I, as defined in claim 1, to act on plants, their environment or on seed~~] thereof.

7. (*currently amended*) A method for desiccation[~~/~~] or defoliation of plants, which comprises [~~allowing such~~] treating the plants with an effective amount of at least one compound of [~~the~~] formula I as defined in claim 1 or an agriculturally useful salt [~~of I, as defined in claim 1, to act on plants that it acts as a defoliant and/or desiccant~~] thereof.

8. (*currently amended*) [~~A~~] The method [~~as claimed in~~] of claim [~~8~~] 7, wherein the treated plants are cotton [~~is treated~~] plants.

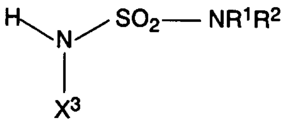
9. (*currently amended*) A process for the preparation of [~~a~~] the compound of formula I as defined in claim 1, which process comprises reacting a benzoic acid derivative of [~~the~~] formula II



II,

[~~wherein Q, X^1 and X^2 are as defined in claim 1,~~]

optionally in the presence of a coupling agent, or the corresponding acid chloride of II, with a sulfamide of [~~the~~] formula III

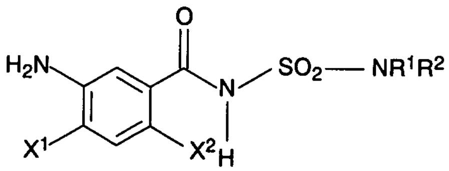


III[~~,~~].

[~~wherein X^3, R^1 and R^2 are as defined in claim 1.~~]

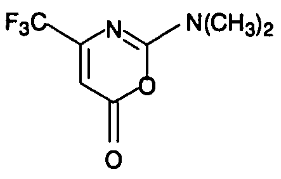
10. (*currently amended*) A process for the preparation of [~~a~~] the compound of formula I as defined in claim 1, where A is oxygen, X^3 is hydrogen, Q is Q^{21}, A^8 [~~&~~] and A^9 are oxygen and R^{29} is hydrogen,

which process comprises reacting an aniline intermediate VI



VI,

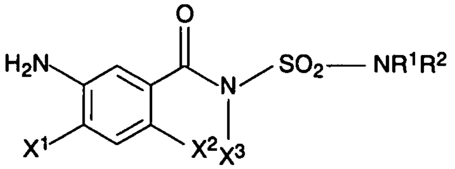
[~~wherein X^1, X^2, R^1 and R^2 are as defined in claim 1,~~] with an oxazinone compound of the formula VII



VII,

optionally followed by alkylation and hydrolysis.

11. (*currently amended*) A process for the preparation of a compound of formula VI



VI,

wherein [~~X^1, X^2, X^3, R^1 and R^2 are as defined in claim 1,~~]

X^1 is hydrogen, halogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl;

X^2 is hydrogen, cyano, CS-NH_2, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-haloalkyl;

X^3 is hydrogen, cyano, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy-alkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl or optionally substituted benzyl; and

R^1 and R^2 independently of one another

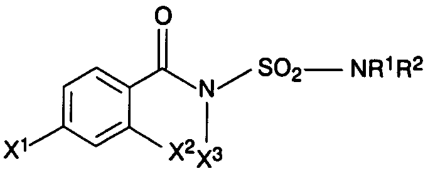
hydrogen, halogen, OR^{48}, C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_2-C_{10}-alkenyl, C_3-C_{10}-alkynyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, phenyl, benzyl or C_5-C_7-cycloalkenyl, whereas each of the lastmentioned 7 groups can be substituted with any combination of one to six halogen atoms, one to three C_1-C_6-alkoxy groups, one or two C_1-C_8-haloalkoxy groups, one or two cyano groups, one or two C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl groups, one or two $C(O)R^{49}$ groups, one or two CO-OR^{50} groups, one or two CO-SR^{51} groups, one or two CO-$NR^{52}R^{53}$ groups, one to three OR^{54} groups, one to three SR^{54} groups, one optionally substituted four to 10-membered monocyclic or fused bicyclic heterocyclic ring, one or two optionally substituted phenyl groups or one or two optionally substituted benzyl groups, or

R^1 and R^2 together with the atom to which they are attached form a 3- to 7-membered heterocyclic ring;

R^{48}, R^{49}, R^{50}, R^{51}, R^{52}, R^{53} and R^{54} are independently of one another

hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, optionally substituted phenyl or optionally substituted benzyl;

which process comprises treating a sulfamoyl carboxamide X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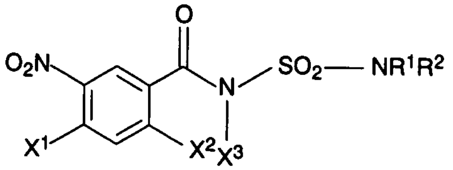
with a nitration reagent to give the corresponding nitrated compound XI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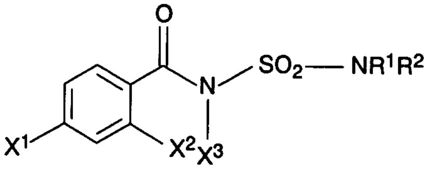
and subsequently reducing the nitro group with a transition metal under acidic conditions or with a complex hydride.

12. (*currently amended*) A process for the preparation of a sulfamoyl carboxamide X


X,

wherein [~~X^1, X^2, X^3, R^1 and R^2 are as defined in claim 1,~~]

X^1 is hydrogen, halogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl;

X^2 is hydrogen, cyano, CS-NH_2, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-haloalkyl;

X^3 is hydrogen, cyano, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy-alkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl or optionally substituted benzyl; and

R^1 and R^2 independently of one another

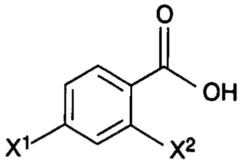
hydrogen., halogen, OR^{48}, C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_2-C_{10}-alkenyl, C_3-C_{10}-alkynyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, phenyl, benzyl or C_5-C_7-cycloalkenyl, whereas each of the lastmentioned 7 groups can be substituted with any combination of one to six halogen atoms, one to three C_1-C_6-alkoxy groups, one or two C_1-C_8-haloalkoxy groups, one or two cyano groups, one or two C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl groups, one or two $C(O)R^{49}$ groups, one or two CO-OR^{50} groups, one or two CO-SR^{51} groups, one or two CO-$NR^{52}R^{53}$ groups, one to three OR^{54} groups, one to three SR^{54} groups, one optionally substituted four to 10-membered monocyclic or fused bicyclic heterocyclic ring, one or two optionally substituted phenyl groups or one or two optionally substituted benzyl groups, or

R^1 and R^2 together with the atom to which they are attached form a 3- to 7-membered heterocyclic ring;

R^{48}, R^{49}, R^{50}, R^{51}, R^{52}, R^{53} and R^{54} are independently of one another

hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, optionally substituted phenyl or optionally substituted benzyl;

which process comprises reacting a benzoic acid IX



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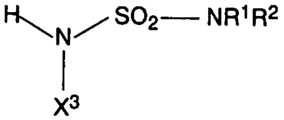
optionally in the presence of a coupling agent, or the corresponding acid chloride of IX, with a sulfamide of the formula III



III.

13. (*original*) The method according to claim 6 wherein the compound is applied in the presence of a crop.

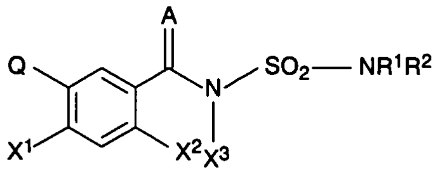
14. (*original*) The method according to claim 13 wherein the crop is a cereal crop or a leguminous crop.

15. (*original*) The method according to claim 14 wherein the crop is corn, wheat or rice.

APPENDIX IV:

THE AMENDED CLAIMS (clean version of *all* claims):

1. (*currently amended*) A compound of formula I



I,

wherein the variables have the following meanings:

A oxygen or sulfur;

X^1 hydrogen, halogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl;

X^2 hydrogen, cyano, CS-NH_2, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-haloalkyl;

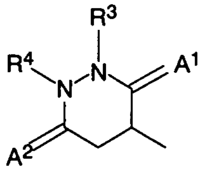
X^3 hydrogen, cyano, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy-alkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl or optionally substituted benzyl;

R^1 and R^2 independently of one another

hydrogen, halogen, OR^{48}, C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_2-C_{10}-alkenyl, C_3-C_{10}-alkynyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, phenyl, benzyl or C_5-C_7-cycloalkenyl, whereas each of the lastmentioned 7 groups can be substituted with any combination of one to six halogen atoms, one to three C_1-C_6-alkoxy groups, one or two C_1-C_8-haloalkoxy groups, one or two cyano groups, one or two C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl groups, one or two $C(O)R^{49}$ groups, one or two CO-OR^{50} groups, one or two CO-SR^{51} groups, one or two CO-$NR^{52}R^{53}$ groups, one to three OR^{54} groups, one to three SR^{54} groups, one optionally substituted four to 10-membered monocyclic or fused bicyclic heterocyclic ring, one or two optionally substituted phenyl groups or one or two optionally substituted benzyl groups, or

R^1 and R^2 together with the atom to which they are attached form a 3- to 7-membered heterocyclic ring;

Q is selected from



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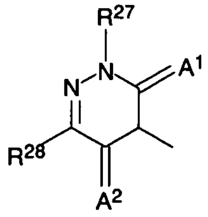

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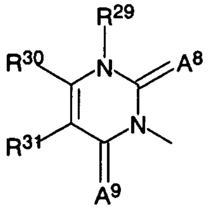

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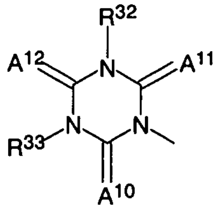

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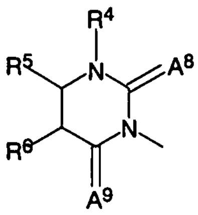
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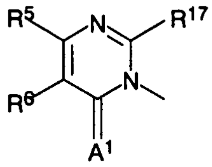
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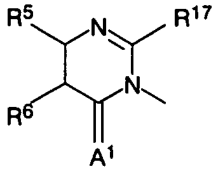
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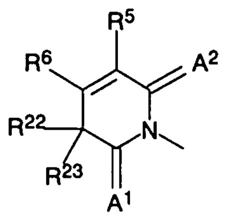
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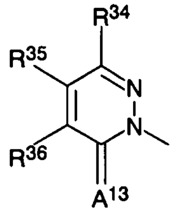
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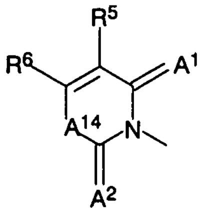
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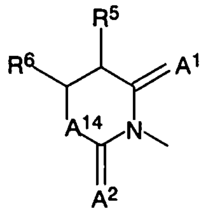
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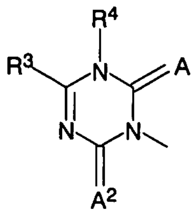
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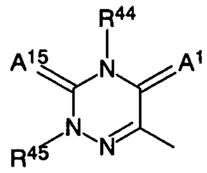

Q39

wherein

A^1 , A^2 and A^8 to A^{15} are each independently oxygen or sulfur;

R^3, R^4, R^{27}, R^{29}, R^{32}, R^{33}, R^{44} and R^{45} are each independently

hydrogen, cyano, amino, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkoxy, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-haloalkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, benzyl, OR^{55}, C_1-C_3-cyanoalkyl, or

R^3 and R^4 together with the atoms to which they are attached to represent a four- to seven-membered ring, optionally interrupted by oxygen, sulfur or nitrogen and optionally substituted with one or more halogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl groups;

R^5, R^6, R^{30}, R^{31}, R^{35} and R^{36}, are each independently

hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-haloalkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, OR^{56}, $S(O)_nR^{57}$, O-SO_2-R^{57}, $NR^{58}R^{59}$ or

R^5 and R^6 or R^{30} and R^{31} together with the atoms to which they are attached to represent a four- to seven membered ring optionally substituted with one or more halogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl groups;

R^{22} and R^{23} are each independently hydrogen, halogen or C_1-C_6-alkyl;

R^{17}, R^{28} and R^{34}, are each independently hydrogen, halogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_2-C_6-haloalkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, OR^{60} or SR^{61};

R^{48}, R^{49}, R^{50}, R^{51}, R^{52}, R^{53}, R^{54}, R^{55}, R^{56}, R^{57}, R^{58}, R^{59}, R^{60} and R^{61} are independently of one another

hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl, optionally substituted phenyl or optionally substituted benzyl;

n is zero, 1 or 2;

or an agriculturally useful salt thereof.

2. (*currently amended*) The compound defined in claim 1, wherein Q is selected from Q^{21}, Q^{22}, Q^{27} and Q^{39}.

3. (*canceled*)

4. (*currently amended*) A herbicidal composition, comprising a herbicidally effective amount of at least one compound of formula I as defined in claim 1 or of an agriculturally useful salt thereof, and at least one inert liquid or solid carrier and optionally at least one surfactant.

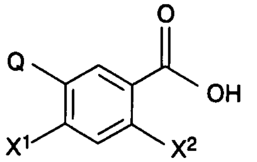
5. (*currently amended*) A composition for the desiccation or defoliation of plants, comprising an effective amount of at least one compound of formula I as defined in claim 1 or of an agriculturally useful salt thereof, and at least one inert liquid or solid carrier and optionally at least one surfactant.

6. (*currently amended*) A method of controlling undesirable vegetation, which comprises treating the vegetation or its environement or seed with an effective amount of at least one compound of formula I as defined in claim 1 or of an agriculturally useful salt thereof.

7. (*currently amended*) A method for desiccation or defoliation of plants, which comprises treating the plants with an effective amount of at least one compound of formula I as defined in claim 1 or an agriculturally useful salt thereof.

8. (*currently amended*) The method of claim 7, wherein the treated plants are cotton plants.

9. (*currently amended*) A process for the preparation of the compound of formula I as defined in claim 1, which process comprises reacting a benzoic acid derivative of formula II



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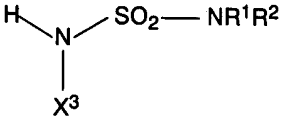
optionally in the presence of a coupling agent, or the corresponding acid chloride of II, with a sulfamide of formula III



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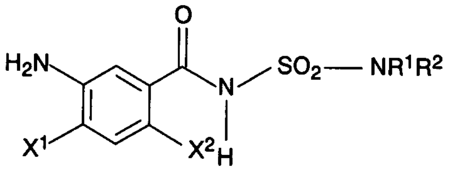
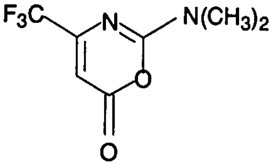
10. (*currently amended*) A process for the preparation of the compound of formula I as defined in claim 1, where A is oxygen, X^3 is hydrogen, Q is Q^{21}, A^8 and A^9 are oxygen and R^{29} is hydrogen, which process comprises reacting an aniline intermediate VI



VI,

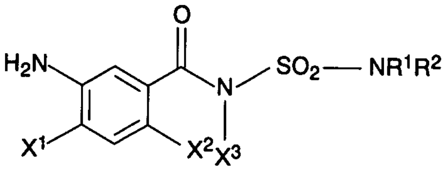
with an oxazinone compound of the formula VII



VII,

optionally followed by alkylation and hydrolysis.

11. (*currently amended*) A process for the preparation of a compound of formula VI



VI,

wherein

X^1 is hydrogen, halogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl;

X^2 is hydrogen, cyano, CS-NH_2, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-haloalkyl;

X^3 is hydrogen, cyano, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy-alkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl or optionally substituted benzyl; and

R^1 and R^2 independently of one another

hydrogen, halogen, OR^{48}, C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_2-C_{10}-alkenyl, C_3-C_{10}-alkynyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, phenyl, benzyl or C_5-C_7-cycloalkenyl, whereas each of the lastmentioned 7 groups can be substituted with any combination of one to six halogen atoms, one to three C_1-C_6-alkoxy groups, one or two C_1-C_8-haloalkoxy groups, one or two cyano groups, one or two C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl groups, one or two $C(O)R^{49}$ groups, one or two CO-OR^{50} groups, one or two CO-SR^{51} groups, one or two CO-$NR^{52}R^{53}$ groups, one to three OR^{54} groups, one to three SR^{54} groups, one optionally substituted four to 10-membered monocyclic or fused bicyclic heterocyclic ring, one or two optionally substituted phenyl groups or one or two optionally substituted benzyl groups, or

R^1 and R^2 together with the atom to which they are attached form a 3- to 7-membered heterocyclic ring;

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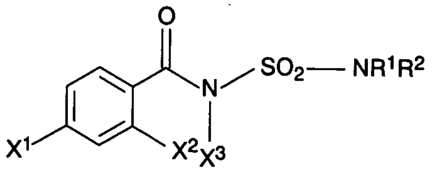
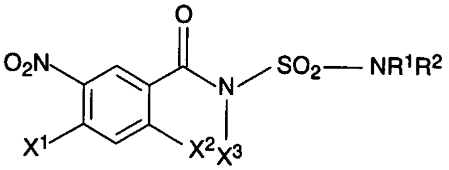


X,

with a nitration reagent to give the corresponding nitrated compound XI



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and subsequently reducing the nitro group with a transition metal under acidic conditions or with a complex hydride.

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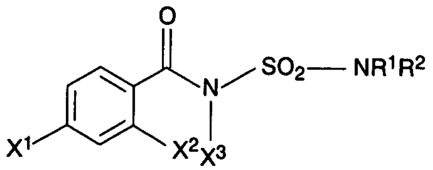

X,

wherein

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X^3 is hydrogen, cyano, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy-alkyl, C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl or optionally substituted benzyl; and

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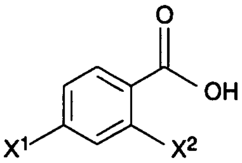

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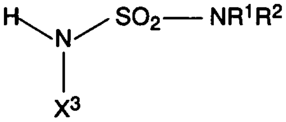
optionally in the presence of a coupling agent, or the corresponding acid chloride of IX, with a sulfamide of the formula III



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